40206 and 40207—Continued.

"Native of Japan; introduced to North America in 1892 by Sargent, and thence to Kew in 1905. It is one of the group of Japanese crabs to which *Pyrus toringo* and *P. sargenti* belong, distinguished by small fruits marked at the apex by the scar of the fallen calyx. It is said to be superior to *P. toringo* as a garden tree in the Arnold Arboretum, being covered there in May by a mass of flowers, and in autumn by 'attractive bright red fruits.' It differs from both its allies in its oblong leaves being only slightly or not at all lobed, and from *P. sargenti* in its wider flowers and less crowded petals. The fruits are larger than the pealike ones of *P. toringo*." (W. J. Bean, Trees and Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, vol. 2, p. 300.)

40207. X MALUS KAIDO Dippel.

"Perhaps a hybrid between *spectabilis* and *ringo*. It has larger, more deeply colored flowers than the former." (W. J. Bean, Trees and Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, vol. 2, p. 297.)

40208. Berberis glaucescens St. Hilaire. Berberidaceæ.

Barberry.

From Nancy, France. Presented by the director, Botanic Garden. Received March 15, 1915.

"A shrubby species with 3-parted spines one-fourth to two-thirds inch long, brownish yellow in color, leaves subsessile, about one-half to 1½ inches long and one-third to two-thirds inch broad, obovate oblong, obtuse, mucronulate, entire, glabrous, and glaucescent. Flowers globose, about the size of those of Berberis vulgaris, all parts very smooth. Found in the woods of the Province of Cisplatina near the border of old Lusitania near the city of Maldonado." (Saint-Hilaire, Flora Brasiliae Meridionalis, vol. 1, p. 47, 1825.)

40209 to 40211.

From Nanking, Kiangsu, China. Presented by Rev. Joseph Bailie, University of Nanking. Received March 24, 1915. Quoted notes by Mr. Bailie.

40209. Castanea sp. Fagaceæ.

Chestnut.

"Scions from trees inside of the city of Nanking, and I am not quite sure that they ought not to be grafted before we can expect them to produce true. They are about the largest chestnuts we have in China."

40210. AMYGDALUS PERSICA PLATYCARPA (Decne.) Ricker. Amygdalaceæ. (Prunus persica platycarpa Bailey.) Flat peach.

"Scions of the pien t'ao, or 'flat peach; 'early choice."

40211. PRUNUS Sp. Amygdalaceæ.

Cherry.

"Large red."

40212 to 40219.

From Kabul, Afghanistan. Presented by His Majesty Habibullah Khan,
Ameer of Afghanistan, through Mr. A. C. Jewett. Received February 23,
1915. Quoted notes by Mr. Jewett, except as otherwise indicated.

40212 and 40213. AMYGDALUS COMMUNIS L. Amygdalaceæ. Almond. "Paper-shell almonds."